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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 2 October 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 18th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Philippines

Kenya

Syrian Arab Republic

Bulgaria

Viet Nam

Belarus

Ecuador *

Mali *

3 p.m. 19th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Qatar

Uruguay

Guyana

Guinea-Bissau

Venezuela

Togo

Iraq *

* Time permitting.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Board of Auditors
2. Draft reports

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMITTEE ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

Second part

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	612th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	613th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Implementation of Economic and Social Council decision 1995/304 [5]
2. Applications for consultative status received from non-governmental organizations [3] (E/C.2/1996/R.1/Add.4)
3. Implementation of Economic and Social Council resolution 1995/32*
4. Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, categories I and II [4] (E/C.2/1996/2 and 3)
5. Adoption of the report of the Committee [8]

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* Applications from organizations of indigenous people.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 2 October 996

ORGANIZATION OF THE ISLAMIC CONFERENCE: ANNUAL COORDINATION MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

GROUP OF 77
(on Economic and Social Council matters)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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Presentation

Delegates, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend an informal presentation by Mr. Alfredo Sfeir-Younis, Special Representative of the World Bank to the United Nations, *today*, 2 October 1996, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7. The presentation will include Mr. James D. Wolfensohn's presentation at the annual meetings of the World Bank (by video) and a brief discussion of the World Bank's Annual Report for 1996. Copies of the report will be available.

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Meeting of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of the co-sponsors and interested delegations on the draft resolution on the nuclear-weapon free Southern Hemisphere *today*, 2 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 3 October 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 20th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Address by Her Excellency Mrs. Benazir Bhutto, Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Leonel Fernández Reyna, Constitutional President of the Dominican Republic.

3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Senegal

   Israel

   Barbados

   Bahrain

   Burkina Faso

3 p.m. 21st PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Cameroon

Slovakia

Solomon Islands

Hungary

Nigeria

Zaire

Uzbekistan*

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* Time permitting.

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	10th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

WORKING GROUP ON THE UNITED NATIONS DECADE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Morning*	closed meeting	Conference Room 2

* Following the adjournment of the 10th meeting of the Sixth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	

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FIRST COMMITTEE

The First Committee will hold open-ended informal consultations on Tuesday, 8 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

The First Committee will hold an organizational meeting on Thursday, 10 October 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items, which is scheduled to begin on Monday, 14 October 1996, at 10 a.m., are kindly requested to notify the Secretariat of the First Committee (room S-3170E, tel.: 963-4272).

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SECOND COMMITTEE

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate, which is scheduled to begin on Monday, 14 October 1996, at 3 p.m., as well as for the debates on all other items allocated to the Second Committee, beginning on Thursday, 17 October 1996, at 3 p.m., are requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee (Ms. Nicole Pouilleul, tel.: 212-963-5700, fax: 212-963-5935).

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THIRD COMMITTEE

The lists of speakers for all items allocated to the Third Committee are open for inscription by delegations. The Committee will begin its substantive work on Monday, 14 October 1996, at 3 p.m. sharp, with agenda item 100 (Social development). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Secretary of the Committee (Ms. Kate Starr Newell, tel.: 212-963-4248, fax: 212-963-5935).

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FIFTH COMMITTEE

The Fifth Committee will begin its substantive work on Monday, 7 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3. The programme of work for the 3rd meeting will be as follows: 1. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [120]; 2. Financing of the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara [126]; 3. Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces Headquarters [129]; 4. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti [134]; 5. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Liberia [135]; 6. Financing of the United Nations Support Mission in Haiti [157].

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the debate on the above agenda items are requested to contact the Secretariat of the Committee (tel.: 963-0542).

Members of the Fifth Committee are reminded that the deadline for the submission of candidatures for appointments to subsidiary organs will be Monday, 21 October 1996.

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The 177th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be convened on Thursday, 3 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Delegations are encouraged to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise in the Committee, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee (see A/50/26, paragraphs 5 and 6). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary or the Chairman of the Committee (ext. 3-5380, room S-3420D), any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

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The Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations will meet on Monday, 21 October 1996, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 2.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Open-ended consultations on the outstanding issues before the resumed session of the Economic and Social Council will take place from 7 to 9 October 1996. The conference room will be announced.

The resumed substantive session of 1996 of the Economic and Social Council will be convened on 10 October, and from 13 to 14 November 1996. The provisional agenda for the resumed session is contained in document E/1996/93. The following items will be taken up as follows:

10 October 1996

1. Social, humanitarian and human rights questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: Human rights questions [5 (d)]

13-14 November 1996

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

   Selection of themes for the High-level and Coordination segments for the 1997 substantive session of the Council
2. Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: follow-up to General Assembly resolution 50/106: business and development [6 (l)]
3. Non-governmental organizations [10]
4. Programme and related questions in the economic, social and related fields [11]
5. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: "Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields" [13]
6. Elections [14]

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Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA

The fourth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme ands the United Nations Fund for Population will be held on Monday, 7 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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Prepared texts for distribution
in the meeting room and to the press

In order to allow distribution of prepared texts of speeches made in the plenary meetings and in the Main Committees of the General Assembly to delegations, specialized agencies, observers, interpreters, record-writers and press officers, 350 copies are required. Those copies should be given in advance of delivery of the speech to the Conference officer, in order to help the Secretariat to provide the best possible service. For distribution in the General Assembly Hall, texts should be delivered to the documents counter on the left side of the hall.

In order to facilitate press coverage of statements made in plenary meetings and in the Main Committees of the General Assembly, an additional 150 copies are required for distribution to accredited correspondents in the press area. Those copies should be delivered in advance of the speech to the Press Documents Counter, Room S-390. As soon as received, the availability of the texts will be announced through the press paging system by the Correspondents Liaison Unit, Department of Public Information.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 of the Whole *(at the ambassadorial level)* on the organization of work of the fifty-first session of the General Assembly (Second, Third and Fifth Committees) on Thursday, 3 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

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The Group of 77 will hold a meeting *(on Third Committee matters: World Social Summit and the Working Group on Aging)*, on Friday, 4 October 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 5.

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There will be a meeting of the Asian-African Legal Consultative Committee on Wednesday, 9 October 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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There will be a closed meeting of Commonwealth Permanent Representatives on Wednesday, 9 October 1996, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Briefings

The Division for the Advancement of Women will hold an informal briefing for delegations on Friday, 4 October 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7, to discuss preparations for the meetings of the General Assembly's Third Committee on item 103 (Advancement of women) and item 104 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women).

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Inaugural seminar

A seminar marking the opening of the New York Office of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) will be held on Monday, 7 October 1996, from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The seminar will be chaired by H. E. Mr. Ahmad Kamal, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of UNITAR.

The theme of the seminar will be "Challenges for training in a new millennium". The meeting will be open to all delegations and special guests, media representatives and officials of the United Nations Secretariat, programmes and funds.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 1 October 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

16th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Teodor Viorel Melescanu, Minister of State, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Romania, H.E. Mr. Somsavat Lengsavad, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

His Serene Highness Crown Prince Albert, Crown Prince of the Principality of Monaco, addressed the General Assembly.

His Excellency Mr. Mendsaikhany Enkhsaikhan, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mongolia, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Destin-Arsene Tsaty-Boungou, Minister for Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and Francophonie of the Congo, H.E. Mr. Fares Bouez, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Lebanon, H.E. Mr. Yousef Bin Alawi Bin Abdullah, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Oman, and H.E. Prof. Luc. Rukingama, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Burundi.

17th plenary meeting

Continuation of the general debate [9]

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Rashid Abdullah Al-Noaimi, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates, H.E. Mr. Amara Essy, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Cote d'Ivoire and former President of the General Assembly, H.E. Sheikh Abdulrahman Mansouri, Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs of Saudi Arabia, H.E. Mr. Lemrabott Sidi Mahmoud Ould Cheikh Ahmed, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mauritania, H.E. The Honourable Seymour Mullings, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Jamaica, H.E. Mr. Omar Mustafa Muntasser, Secretary of the General People's Committee for Foreign Liaison and International Cooperation of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, and H.E. Mr. Vahan Papazian, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Armenia.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United States, the United Kingdom, France, the United Arab Emirates and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

Committees

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE) 2nd meeting

Opening of the meeting

The Chairman made a statement.

Election of officers

Upon nomination by the representatives of Ireland and the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Committee elected, by acclamation, Ms. Anastasia Carayanides (Australia) and Ms. Sonia Leonce-Carryl (Saint Lucia) as its two Vice-Chairpersons.

The Chairman informed the Committee that consultations were still continuing for the post of Rapporteur.

The representative of Morocco made a statement concerning the election of a Rapporteur.

Statements were made by Ms. Carayanides and Ms. Leonce-Carryl.

Organization of work

The Committee had before it a letter from the President of the General Assembly concerning the agenda items allocated to it (A/C.4/51/1) and a note by the Chairman (A/C.4/51/L.1) containing his suggestions concerning the organization of work.

The Chairman drew attention to A/51/250 concerning the organization and rationalization of the work.

The representative of Morocco made a statement on the time limit for statements made by petitioners before the Committee. Following an exchange of views by the representatives of Algeria, Ireland, the Netherlands, as well as by the Chairman and Secretary of the Committee, the Committee decided to allow a 15-minute time limit for petitioners.

The Secretary of the Committee replied to a question posed by the representative of Morocco regarding the availability of documents relating to the decolonization items, as well as to their consideration by the Fourth Committee and the General Assembly.

The representative of Algeria made a statement.

The Committee decided to approve, in principle, the suggestions contained in A/C.4/51/L.1.

The Committee decided to establish an open-ended Working Group, chaired by the delegation of Austria, to prepare a draft resolution on agenda item 83 (Peaceful uses of outer space).

In accordance with the suggestions of the Chairman as contained in his note (A/C.4/51/L.1), the Committee decided to hold a general debate on agenda items 19, 88, 89, 90 and 12 and 91 and to close the list of speakers on these items at 6 p.m., on Monday, 7 October.

Agenda items 19 (chapters of the report of the Special Committee of 24 relating to specific Territories not already covered by other items) 88, 89, 90 and 12, and 91)

The Committee decided, without objection and in accordance with established practice, to consider chapter V of A/51/23 (Part III) in conjunction with agenda item 89 (Foreign economic interests).

The Rapporteur of the Special Committee on Decolonization introduced chapters of the report of the Special Committee (A/51/23 (Parts II to VII)).

The Acting Chairman (Papua New Guinea) of the Special Committee on Decolonization made a statement on the work of the Committee.

Requests for hearing

The Chairman informed the Committee there were eight (8) requests for hearings relating to Guam, New Caledonia and Western Sahara under agenda item 19.

The Committee decided to circulate the requests for hearing as Committee documents. Statements were made by the representatives of Morocco and Algeria, as well as by the Secretary of the Committee.

The Chairman made a statement.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 9th meeting

Human resources management (Reform of the Internal System of Justice in the United Nations Secretariat) [120]

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), France, India, Argentina, Cuba, Mexico, New Zealand and Canada.

The First Vice-President of the Administrative Tribunal, Mr. Posadas Montero, made a statement.

The Deputy to the Legal Counsel, Mr. Ralph Zacklin, made a statement.

The Committee concluded its debate on the item.

Progressive development of the principles and norms of international law relating to the new international economic order [152]

A statement was made by the representative of Cuba.

The Committee concluded its debate on the item.

The Chairman made a statement.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Thirteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

TUESDAY, 1 OCTOBER 1996

327th meeting

Consideration of reports of States parties [4]

The Committee concluded its consideration of the initial report of Uruguay (CRC/C/3/Add.37).

In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meeting and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

328th meeting

Cooperation with other United Nations bodies, specialized agencies and other competent bodies [7]

The Committee considered the item.

Methods of work of the Committee, including guidelines for periodic reports [8]

The Committee considered the item in closed session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Natural Rubber Agreement, 1995, concluded at Geneva on 17 February 1995

Provisional application: France (1 October 1996)*

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10 September 1996

Signatures: Armenia, Cape Verde, Liberia, Monaco and Mongolia (1 October 1996)

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* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Presentation of a gift

A gift from the Republic of San Marino will be presented to the United Nations by His Excellency Mr. Gabriele Gatti, Secretary of State for Foreign and Political Affairs on Monday, 7 October 1996, at 1 p.m. The unveiling of the gift, a collection of coins celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations, and minting instruments, will take place in the Conference Building, Corridor, 2nd floor (in front of the Trusteeship Council). The Secretary-General will accept the gift on behalf of the United Nations.

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